Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS) schools continue their mission and celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week by furnishing our leaders of tomorrow with basic human, moral, and spiritual foundations; and,

Whereas, Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod schools strengthen the future of the community and the nation by keeping viable the right of freedom of religion, under law; and,

Whereas, Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod education has demonstrated its ability to contribute to the state's welfare throughout its history by raising levels of knowledge, competence, and experience; and,

Whereas, The 15 pre-schools and 3 elementary schools in South Dakota are educating over 1,000 students during the 2004-2005 school year:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 6 - 12, 2005, as

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in South Dakota, and I recognize the contributions Lutheran schools have made and are making today as they fulfill the mission and celebrate Lutheran schools in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State